100 McDowell Street — For more information, call (704) 321-7275

# AUGUST 2021

PARKS, RECREATION & CULTURAL RESOURCE DEPARTMENT NEWSLETTER



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ONLINE go to
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# SUMMER CAMPS, CLASSES, PROGRAMS AND EVENTS

In the upcoming pages, we list out all of our programs, camps, classes and events coming up in August.

If you would like more information, please visit our website or reach out to us via phone or email!

## **DATES TO REMEMBER**

August 13th: Cat 5 Band at Stumptown Park

August 27th: Feature Attraction Band at Stumptown Park

September 3rd-September 6th: MATTHEWS ALIVE RETURNS



Check out all of our camps and programs at WWW.MATTHEWSFUN.COM



## **CREWS RECREATION CENTER**

1201 Crews Road—Behind the Matthews Police Department For more information on Crews Center activities, call (704) 708-1287

# LEARN TO RIDE

# BALANCE BICYLE PLAY DAYS

 $\sim$  DESIGNED FOR YOUTH AGES 2-5 YEARS OLD  $\sim$ 



#### SKILLS TRAINING

- Learn skills and gain confidence
- Participants learn to start and stop, balance, glide and steer a bike and progress at their own pace
- Experienced instructor to guide your progress and have you riding in no time
- · Balance bicycles and helmets provided





#### **LOCATION:**

Crews Recreation Center 1201 Crews Road Matthews, NC 28105

#### **DATES:**

- September 13th
- September 20th
- September 2/th
- October 4th

#### TIME:

· 1:00-2:00pm

#### PRICE:

• \$120.00

For more information call: 704-708-1289

Class size is limited - Register Now! www.matthewsfun.com

#### TAI CHI FOR HEALTH

\$2.00 PER SESSION

A slow meditation in motion, Tai Chi promotes serenity through gentle, flowing movements. The ultimate purpose is cultivating the Qi, or life force, within us to flow smoothly and powerfully throughout the body.

Mondays at 5:00pm

#### AMERICAN ELITE KARATE

Youth martial arts classes are offered on **Thursday evenings from 5:45-8:30pm** for children of all ages interested in learning the basics of martial arts in a fun and active environment. To register or for additional information please visit http://www.americanelitemartialarts.com/

#### FACILITY RENTALS

We are currently booking our facility for Fall & Winter. Book your next event with us. Our space is a great place to host your birthday party, baby and wedding showers, anniversary parties, family reunions and meetings. Availability will not last long!!! Contact Charles Smith at 704-708-1289 or via email at csmith@matthewsnc.gov for facility pricing and availability

# OPEN GYM SPORTS

#### BADMINTON

Sundays, 10:00am-4:00pm; \$2 per person
Advance registration via signup genius
required to guarantee court time.
(https://qrgo.page.link/CYTjW)
Beginner (Adults): 10:00am-12:00pm
Advanced (Adults): 12:00pm-2:00pm
Family Time (Youth and Adults): 2:00pm-4:00pm

## PICKLEBALL

Saturdays, 8:30am-12:30pm \$2.00 per person

Advance registration **required** via signup genius (https://qrgo.page.link/skXdx)





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#### SOUL LINE DANCE

In partnership with ASC and Purple Steppers, a free Soul Line Dance class will be offered every Monday from 7pm to 8pm at the Crews Recreation Center.







# PICKLEBALL CLINIC

PRESENTED BY CREWS RECREATION CENTER

~ INSTRUCTION LED BY DAVID HITE ~

BASIC TECHNIQUES, STRATEGY AND COURT POSITIONING ARE THE FOCUS OF THIS 5-WEEK DRILL AND PLAY PICKLEBALL CLINIC.

DESIGNED FOR BEGINNER TO INTERMEDIATE SKILL LEVEL PLAYERS

FOR MORE INFORMATION:
CALL 704-708-1289
OR
EMAIL CSMITH@MATTHEWSNC.GOV



# CREWS RECREATION CENTER 1201 CREWS ROAD, MATTHEWS, NC

#### **5-WEEK PICKLEBALL CLINIC**

- SEPTEMBER 1st (7:30-9:00PM)
- SEPTEMBER 8th (7:30-9:00PM)
- SEPTEMBER 15th (7:30-9:00PM)
- SEPTEMBER 22nd (7:30-9:00PM)
- SEPTEMBER 29th (7:30-9:00PM)

#### **SESSION FEE:**

\$55.00 (MATTHEWS RESIDENT RATE) \$60.00 (NON- RESIDENT RATE)

VISIT WWW.MATTHEWFUN.COMTO REGISTER

#### BRIDGE CLUB

Bridge returns on August 31st!!
The Charlotte Bridge Club offers open play session at Crews on
Tuesdays from 12:30-4:30pm.

\$7.00 PER SESSION





# MCDOWELL ARTS CENTER

123 McDowell Street For more information, call (704) 847-9746

# LET'S PAINT WITH CYNTHIA Oil Painting for Adults

#### **BEGINNER**

Mondays | August 9, 16 & 23 | 9:30am-12:30pm | \$75

#### **INTERMEDIATE**

Thursdays | August 5, 12 & 19 | 9:30am-12:30pm | \$75

#### ADVANCED

Mondays | August 9, 16 & 23 | 1:00pm-4:00pm | \$60

#### **OPEN PAINTING**

August 2, 26 & 30 (Thurs)

New students will need to contact Cynthia prior to signing up for class – cynhoward3@gmail.com. Pre-registration for this class is required.

#### CLASSES TAUGHT BY EILEEN SCHWARTZ

#### **ART WITH EILEEN**

Art classes for adults with disabilities.



Fridays, August 6-20 9:00am-12:00pm Contact Eileen Schwartz for more information at eileenschwartzusa@gmail.com

# FREE GROUPS AT THE MCDOWELL ARTS CENTER



#### MCDOWELL ARTS CENTER GALLERY

The art gallery has its first public art show since February 2020! We are excited to welcome the Ballantyne Palette Group to the McDowell Arts Center Gallery.

This collaboration of paintings will be on display from July 10 through August 9. Hours at the McDowell Arts Center are limited; call to confirm before coming at 704-321-7275.

Matthews Artists Guild will have their Matthews Alive! show on display mid-August through the end of September

#### ARTS DELIVERED CLASSES

Summer Camps!

Offered Weekly | Through August 20 | 12:30pm-4pm

#### **CERAMICS/POTTERY/GLAZE CAMPS!**

#### Ages 12+ (Rising 7th-12th Graders)

Clay campers will explore clay pinch pots, coils, extrusions, pottery wheels and glazes! Advanced students will be self-directed and can work on their Visual Arts portfolio! Campers will organize a Friday Camper Clay Project Exhibition for their families.

July 26-30 & August 9-13

#### **VISUAL ARTS CAMP**

#### Ages 6-14

Campers will play with clay, draw and paint, design original art promotional products, t-shirts and drawstring backpacks!

Campers also play games and organize a Friday Camper Project Exhibit for their families.

August 16-20

#### **UPCOMING FREE CLASSES WITH ARTS DELIVERED**

Registration for these classes will open 30 days prior to the start of the class.

#### Sunday, September 26

2pm-3:30pm - One Day Clay Workshop for Kids (Grades 1-8)

#### Sunday, October 10

2pm-3:30pm - One Day Clay Workshop for Teens (Ages 12+)

#### Sunday, November 14

2pm-3:30pm - One Day Clay Workshop for Families (Ages 5+)

# **CULTURE BLOCKS**



a community partnership with

Mecklenburg County
Park and Recreation

Library



These Arts Delivered classes are sponsored by Culture Blocks - a community partnership funded by Mecklenburg County.



# MATTHEWS COMMUNITY CENTER

100 McDowell Street For more information, call (704) 321-7275

THE MUSIC MAKERS, INC. PRESENTS

## FAMILIES MAKE MUSIC - UKULELE STRUM-ALONG

Saturday, July 24 11am-12:30pm | FREE

Open to EVERYONE ages 5 and up. Parents will need to register and stay with their child during this event. Ukuleles will be provided for anyone who does not have one. This is a kick off for our Fall Ukulele classes. This is a friendly introduction to playing the ukulele as a group. Learn the basics of how to hold and strum the instrument, and play fun games!



# Returning to the Matthews Community Center

# YOGA CLASSES

RETURNING IN SEPTEMBER!

Check out www.matthewsfun.com as we update the full listing.

**Bowspring Yoga** Tuesdays, 9:30am-10:30am and Wednesdays, 6pm-7pm

Gentle Yoga with Chris Robertson Wednesdays, 10am-11:15am



REMAINING SUMMER

#### MATTHEWS BALLET CLASSES

Our school-year ballet classes start back August 23. Registration opens Monday, August 2nd. Classes available for ages 3 and up!

The Nutcracker returns for the 2021 holiday season! Auditions for the Nutcracker are on Saturday, September 11.

Contact Amanda Shepphard for more details at 704-542-5777.

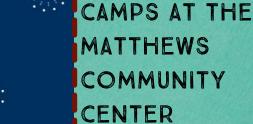
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# SUMMER CHILL OUT DEEP STRETCH YOGA

10:00AM-11:45AM MATTHEWS COMMUNITY







See more details and the full listing of camps for the Summer at www.matthewsfun.com

**Creative Chefs Camp** August 2-6 9am-12:30pm

Ages 8-14

**Matthews Ballet: Enchanted Forest Camp** 

August 9-13 9:30am-12pm Ages 4-8

**Printmaking Productions Camp** 

August 16-20, 1:30pm-5pm Ages 10-14



# PARKS & SPECIAL EVENTS

For more information about Parks, call 704-708-1288 For more information about Special Events, call 704-708-1261



# Labor Day Weekend 2021

29th annual festival will feature:





FRI, SEPT 3rd

Carolina **Soul Band** 

The Chairmen o the Board 8:30pm-10:00pm

All-You-Can-Ride **Wristband Night** at the Carnival!

SUN. SEPT 5th

MON. SEPT 6th

ANNUAL LABOR DAY WEEKEND FEST

PARADE ~ FOOD ~ AMUSEMENT RIDES ~ CARNIVAL GAMES MUSIC - ARTS AND CRAFTS ~ MULTIPLE STAGES - KIDS ZONE H-6

**Mixtape Side B** – various genres on

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SAT. SEPT 4th

Parade 9:30am

Kids' Connection, Crafts open

Mixtape Side A -

**CONTINUUM** 8:30pm-10pm

**BOHEMIAN QUEEN** 

Two Stages of Entertainment • Family Fun • Great Food • Rides & Games **Arts & Crafts • Carnival** 

100% of proceeds benefit Matthews Community Non-Profits! "Good Times Funding Good Works!"

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